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REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, the specification and claims 15 and 22-25 have been amended. Claims 1-25 are pending and under consideration.

The objection to the drawings based on the claimed compensation unit is overcome by the present amendments to the Specification.

The objection to the drawings based on the configuration unit is respectfully traversed. The Examiner's attention is drawn to the pin 43 as described in paragraphs [0055] and [0056].

The double patenting rejection is overcome by the attached terminal disclaimer.

The objection to the specification regarding the upper and lower brake units is overcome by the present amendments to the claims. These amendments also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The objection to the specification regarding the configuration unit is traversed, as discussed above with respect to the drawing objections. The objection with respect to the compensation unit is overcome by the present specification amendments.

The rejection based on 35 U.S.C. § 103 is respectfully traversed, since the Examiner's combination lacks the proper motivation. According to the Examiner, Cho does not teach the claimed compensation unit, which compensates for variance in pressure as the rotating shaft rotates. Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's consideration of the function of the compensating unit, and the Examiner's requirement for a structural difference. However, Applicants argue that the claimed function is not taught in Suzuki, thus one of ordinary skill in the art would not have been motivated to combine the references so that this feature could be achieved. Thus, the issue is one of motivation to combine, not whether all the structural features are taught.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

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If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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